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BHGL Ref. No. 5935-135

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
DIMATTEO et al.	)	Examiner: Laura C. Schell
Serial No.: 10/777,545	)	
Filing Date: February 12, 2004	)	Group Art Unit: 3767
For: DIALYSIS CATHETER TIP	)	Confirmation No. 5754

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of April 22, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows: